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John B. Castle Dies, Senior CIA Official

John Bayne Castle, a senior Central Intelligence Agency official, died of cancer Monday at Doctors Hospital. He was 52.

Mr. Castle's career with the CIA, where he served in various capacities, began in 1949.

He was born in Washington and graduated from St. Alban's School in 1932. After two years at the Wharton School of Finance at the University of Pennsylvania, he was appointed personal assistant to Under Secretary of State Sumner Welles. He served in that position for four years until he joined the National Youth Ad-



Mr. Castle

ministration as area administrator for southern Maryland.

In 1942, Mr. Castle was commissioned in Naval Intelligence, serving in India and Ceylon. He was released from active duty in 1946 with the rank of lieutenant commander.

He graduated from George Washington University in 1949 and the Naval War College at Newport in 1955.

Mr. Castle was interested in gardening and spent a lot of time growing flowers and shrubs at his seven-acre home at 6900 Oxon Hill rd., Oxon Hill, Md.